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DIGITAL OPTIONS HAVING DEMAND-BASED, ADJUSTABLE RETURNS, AND TRADING EXCHANGE THEREFOR

OPTIONS NUMERIQUES A RETOURS AJUSTABLES BASEES SUR LA DEMANDE ET BOURSE D'ECHANGES COMMERCIAUX AFFERENTE

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Claim

- ... a function of demand flow, i.e., amounts invested; and (4) transaction fees or exchange **fees** can be a simple function of aggregate amount invested. Other transaction fees can be implemented..loss orders are notoriously difficult to execute in traditional markets, and traders are frequently not **guaranteed** that the execution will occur exactly at the pre-specified price. In preferred embodiments, and..local liquidity and creditworthy 124 counterparties further restrict access to a tradable underlying supply. Regional **banks** that service local customers have access to indigenous liquidity but poor credit ratings while multinational commercial and investment **banks** with superior credit ratings have limited access to liquidity. Because credit considerations prevent external market...provide the following new opportunities for trading and risk management:
 - (1) Credit enhancement. An investment **bank** can use demand-based trading emerging market currency products to overcome existing credit barriers. The...
- ...buy orders, combined with the limited liability of option payout profiles (vs. forward contracts), allows banks to precisely define the limits of their counterparty credit exposure and, hence, to trade with local market institutions, increasing participation and liquidity. Example 3 23: Central Bank Target Rates Portfolio managers and market-makers formulate market views based in part on their forecasts for future movements in central bank target rates. When the Federal Reserve (Fed), European Central Bank (ECB) or Bank of Japan (BOJ), for example, changes their target rate or when market participants adjust their...

- ...income financial markets can react quickly and dramatically. Market participants currently take views on central bank target rates by trading 3-month interest rate futures, such as Eurodollar futures for the maturity while central bank target rates change overnight; and models for credit spreads and term structure are required for...invention to develop an explicit mechanism by which market participants can express views regarding central bank target rates. For example, demandbased markets or auctions can be based on central bank policy parameters such as the Federal Reserve Target Fed Funds Rate, the Bank of Japan Official Discount Rate, or the Bank of England Base Rate. For example, the underlying event may be defined as the Federal...In addition to the general advantages of the demand-based trading system, products on central bank target rates may provide the following new advantages for trading and risk management:

 (1) No...
- ...there is no maturity mismatch and no credit mismatch. Demand-based trading products for central **bank** target rates have no basis risk. (2) An exact date match to central **bank** meetings. Demand-based trading ... by matching the date of expiry of a contract with the date of the central **bank** meeting (3) A direct way to express views on intra-meeting moves. Demand-based trading...
- ...tailoring so that portfolio managers can take a view on whether or not a central bank will change its target rate intra-meeting. (4) Managing the event risk associated with a central bank meeting. Almost all market participants have portfolios that are significantly affected by shifts in target rates. 126 Market participants can use demand-based trading options on central bank target rates to lower their portfolio's overall volatility. (5) Managing short-term funding, costs. Banks and large corporations often borrow short-term funds at a rate highly correlated with central bank target rates, e.g., U.S. banks borrow at a rate that closely follows target Fed funds. These institutions may better manage their funding costs using demand-based trading products on central bank rates.

Example 3 24: Weather

In recent years, market participants have expressed increasing interest in...obligations can be traded in a similar way. Hybrid Security Prices: Demand-based markets or auctions can be structured to trade DBAR contingent claims, including, for example, digital options, based on during any day. Interest Rates: Demand-based markets or auctions can be structured to trade DBAR contingent claims, including, for example, digital options, based on week or month. Foreign Exchange: Demand-based markets or auctions can be structured to trade DBAR conting I C)

., ent claims, including, for example, digital...

- ...rate of the Korean Won on any day. Price & Return Indices: Demand-based markets or auctions can be structured to trade DBAR contingent claims, including, for example, digital options, based on...measurements can be used such as return instead of price.
 - Swaps: Demand-based markets or auctions can be structured to trade DBAR contingent claims, including, for example, digital options, based on traded in a demand-based market or **auction** are based on an underlying event defined as the 10 year swap rate at which...
- ...for an event of economic sig ificance in a demand 1,, ni

based market or **auction**. For example, such derivatives can include futures, forwards, swaps, floating rate notes and other structured...a demand-enabled product alongside DBAR contingent claims in the same demand-based market or **auction**.

3.2 DBAR Portfolios

It may be desirable to combine a number of groups of...derivatives

' securities, including digital options. Furthermore, in-house derivatives systems currently in use at major banks have basic digital options capability. Since digital options are commonly encountered instruments, many of the...investors to execute a trade at "their price" or better. Of course, there is no guarantee that such a limit order -...the equilibrium computation are considered mid-market prices, i.e., they do not include the bid and offer spreads owing to transaction fees. Published offer (bid) "prices" are set ...6.8(9) are performed each time the set of orders during the trading or auction period changes. For example, when a new order is submitted or an existing order is...177 Table 6 5 MSFI'Digital Options Initial Prices CALLS PUTS STRIKE IND MID IND BID IND OFFER IND MID IND BID IND OFFER 30 0.85714 0.85664 0.85764 0.1428 0.14236 0.14336...Prices after addition of five lots of 80 puts CALLS PUT STRIKE IND MID IND BID IND OFFER IND MID IND BID ND OFFER 30 0.84722 0.84672 0.84772 0.15278 0.15228 0.15328...and 60 addition of one lot of 50 puts CALLS PUTS STRIKE IND MID IND BID IND OFFER IND MID IND BID IND OFFER 30 0.82420 0.82370 0.82470 0.17580 0.17530 0.17630...180 Table 6 7 MSFT Digital Options Equilibrium Prices CALLS PUTS STRIKE IND MID IND BID IND OFFER IND MID IND BID IND OFFER 30 0.830503 0.830003 0.831003 0.169497 0.168997 0.169997... (Item 2 from file: 349) 7/3, K/2DIALOG(R) File 349: PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2003 WIPO/Univentio. All rts. reserv. 00924748 NETWORK CHAT WITH INTEGRATED BILLING BAVARDAGE EN RESEAU AVEC SYSTEME INTEGRE DE FACTURATION Patent Applicant/Inventor: FAIR Robert W, 11952 Sky Lane, Santa Ana, CA 92705, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) WORKS Goeffrey S, 19192 Florida Street, #A, Huntington Beach, CA 92648, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) LAUTSCH John C, 550 S. Wellington Road, Orange, CA 92869, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) WEISMAN Neal E, 10159 Falcon Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92708, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) RAMESH Subramanyan, 1429 Ocean Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90254, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) SMITH Christopher B, 4507 Kingswell Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90027, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) SARKELA John, 268 Blackfoot Lane, Ventura, CA 93001, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) CASTER David L, 4279 Gettysburg Street, Ventura, CA 93003, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) CHRISTOPHERSON John, 14691 Jenet Circle, Santa Anna, CA 92705, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) Legal Representative: CARTE Norman E (agent), Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, Post Office Box 7680, 660 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1600, Newport Beach, CA

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Claim

... rate amendment process;

1 5 FIG. I 8 is a flow chart showing a first **portion** of the end **billing** session process; and FIG. 19 is a flow chart showing a second **portion** of the end **billing** session process.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The detailed description set forth below in connection...

- ...features. The features include time-and-billing, real-time language translation, document translation, chat translation, guaranteed identity matching, file transfer during chat point to point, sign and encrypt, lock, client feedback...database (for PremiumCHAT's own records) and the data then passed to Merchant Acct. Issuers/ Financial Institutions / Banks specified URL for the Merchant Account signup (passing the ...Forward to 130 130 Prospective BSP forwarded to Merchant Acct. Issuers/Financial 1 5 Institutions/ Banks specified URL for the Merchant Account signup. Data from initial signup passed' for M.A...
- ...information, prospective BSP can be forwarded to Figure 4; 400 320 CSR contacts processors/issuing banks / financial institutions to acquire necessary information for Premium Chat to activate prospective BSP M.A. on Premium...Check (or equivalent) to decrease fraudulent card use.) 850 After checking CC or DC with financial institutions / ACH, are funds available on BSP CC, DC, payment mechanism? (pass address verification check (or...
- ...or p.m. (where applicable if new card entered and/or requested by BSP)
 - To Financial Institution / Bank /ACH:
 - o Debit BSP CC/DC/p.m. specified amount (as determined in 830)
 - Funds...
- ...Session (a)

1200 - While initially consulting w/ BSP (as per Figure 14; Rate proposals and **bids** are concurrent w/ text or vocal communication throughout 'Negotiation session' or 'ReNegotiation Session' - to help...

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EFFICIENT PRESENTMENT AND PAYMENT OF BILLS
PRESENTATION EFFICIENTE ET PAIEMENT DE FACTURES
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Claim

- ... entities on all levels of the hierarchy. The payment process is shown in FIG. 4. **Financial Institution** (s) (First Tier) may loan money to the Owner/Developer (First Tier). The Owner/Developer...
- ...on period-by-period (usually month-by-month)

with the Owner/Developer paying a **portion** each period of the aggregated **bills**, less retention, until the project is complete. At that time, the vendors will bill for...work. The length of time between work completion and payment receipts requires that these vendors **bid** substantial incremental sums of money to compensate them for the cost-of-money over time...

- ...BPA implements direct bill presentment
 (and optionally direct claims waiver or release presentment), and direct
 payment, of accurate bills for each partially or fully completed
 and
 approved task individually performed by any billing entity located in
 the...waivers or releases signed by the billing entities, directly to the
 Owner/Developer and/or Financial Organization. The Owner/Developer
 causes approved bills to be paid directly to each billing entity, using
 ...jurisdictions, each billing entity's right, to be paid for tasks
 completed according to project agreements is supported by the use of
 mechanic's liens and/or other claims (such as...
- ...or any other form permitted by law. A conditional claims release is contingent on receiving partial payment. An unconditional claims release is not contingent on receiving partial payment, but is not yet final because only a partial payment has been received. A final claims release reflects receipt of Rill payment. I O The...
- ...be required by any local jurisdiction. Retention: Billing entities and paying entities frequently agree that **portions** of monies owed to **billing** entities for each billing period may be withheld from the 1 5 progress payments, even if work has been done properly and approved by the authorizing entities. Under a typical **agreement**, these "retention7' amounts are paid upon completion of the project and not as an increasing ...claims infon-nation. Progress Bilhng Form is the form each billing entity fills out to **bill** for tasks **partially** or fully completed during the preceding billing or "progress" period. Progress Billing

· Fon-ns are... ...entity has billed for 100 percent of the money owed (including retention) per its project agreements . Progress Authorization Form is the form created by the BPA by compiling information from the... ...name 2 Project Identification Number 3 Project physical location (address) 4 Owner/Developer identification 5 Financial institution identification 6 Business types 7 Mailing addresses 8 Street addresses 9 Business phone numbers to... ... Email addresses 1 1 Contact persons 12 Business organizational infon-nation 1 3 Financial and banking information 14 Relationships with other entities 1 5 Project schedule 16 Project billing specifications 17...and authority 9 Passwords 10 Security levels I I Business organizational information 12 Financial and banking information 13 Project Identification Number 1 4 Entity type/classification 1 5 Rel ationships with... 7/3,K/4 (Item 4 from file: 349) DIALOG(R) File 349: PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2003 WIPO/Univentio. All rts. reserv. 00280318 **Image available** METHODS AND APPARATUS RELATING TO THE FORMULATION AND TRADING OF RISK MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS PROCEDE ET APPAREIL DESTINES A L'ETABLISSEMENT ET A LA NEGOCIATION DES CONTRATS DE GESTION DE RISQUES Patent Applicant/Assignee: SHEPHERD Ian Kenneth, Inventor(s): SHEPHERD Ian Kenneth, Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date): Patent: WO 9428496 A1 19941208 WO 93AU250 19930528 (PCT/WO AU9300250) Application: Priority Application: WO 93AU250 19930528 Designated States: AT AU BB BG BR CA CH CZ DE DK ES FI GB HU JP KP KR KZ LK LU MG MN MW NL NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SK UA US VN AT BE CH DE DK ES FR GB GR IE IT LU MC NL PT SE BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN ML MR NE SN TD TG Publication Language: English Fulltext Word Count: 41169 Fulltext Availability: Claims

Claim

... services. These services can include: accounting, reconciliation, and information services; value added

' information reseller services; financial services of multiple types; and data processing and telecommunications services. Effectively, software relating to these services...risk management contracts are options

contracts, or futures contracts, or forward contracts, or forward rate agreements, or swaps, or like financial instruments based on specified, but yet-to-be-established, primary...

...risk management contracts are options contracts, or futures contracts, or forward contracts, or forward rate agreements, or swaps, or like financial ...Derivative trading allowed?

Pricing and Matching Minimise consideration Deferred Order Submissions possible? Yes Process **payment** under an EV/CE **Partial** Matches possible? Yes Contract Counterparties!

regime Settlement terms: Nil

considerations immediate

entitlements Immediate

Contract Revaluation...Applicable Applicable Consid./Entitlcmcnt Transfer Entity Applicable Marginal Tax rate (if applicable)? Account details:
ABC Banking Corp

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